CLAIMS:

- 1. Low sliding load intermediate shaft in a motor vehicle steering column comprising a female member (2) adapted for slidingly receiving a male member (4) therein and at least one metal strip (7) fitted therebetween having an uneven contact surface, characterized in that said metal strips (7) are fitted between the male member (4) and the female member (2) and inside recesses (10) in a fastening cage (11) which, in turn, is arranged clamped to the external surface of said male member (4).
 - 2. Low sliding load intermediate shaft in a motor vehicle steering column as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that said cage (11) is clamped to the outside of the male member (4) by means of protrusion-like deformations on the lateral surface thereof.
 - 3. Low sliding load intermediate shaft in a motor vehicle steering column as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that said cage (11) is injected directly on the male member (4).

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SUMMARY

LOW SLIDING LOAD INTERMEDIATE SHAFT IN MOTOR VEHICLE STEERING COLUMN

It comprises a female member comprising a female member slidingly receiving a male member and a series of metal strips, such as three, fitted therebetween. The metal strips are retained in position since they are received into the cavities of a fastening cage clamped to the outer surface of the male member.

They allow assuring longitudinal movement friction of both members eliminating clearance and radial play with a total effectiveness in torque transmission at any time.